

Please replace the paragraph on page 10, lines 8-11 with the following paragraph:

C4 In the course of the development work, two kinds of cellulose material were found particularly suitable, namely TMP (= thermo-mechanical pulp) and CTMP (= chemo-thermo-mechanical pulp).

Please replace the paragraph on page 11, lines 7-9 with the following paragraph:

C7 The relevant dimensions of the laundry detergent compact are characterized by a larger dimension of from about 1 to 10 cm, preferably from 2 to 4 cm.

IN THE CLAIMS:

— Please cancel claim 18, without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter thereof, and amend claims 1-17 and 19-27, as follows:

C8 1. Laundry detergent compact comprising a pulverulent or granular laundry detergent composition and an incorporated disintegrant, said disintegrant comprising granules of finely divided cellulose material, wherein the cellulose material is compacted prior to its admixture to the laundry detergent composition and is present in the compact in the form of compacted granules having a density of from 0.5 to 1.5 g/cm³.

2. Laundry detergent compact according to Claim 1, wherein the particle size of the cellulose material prior to compaction is from 40 µm to 60 µm.

3. Laundry detergent compact according to Claim 1, wherein the compacted granules of the cellulose material have a particle size of from 0.2 to 6.0 mm.

4. Laundry detergent compact according to Claim 3, wherein the compacted granules of the cellulose material have a particle size of from 0.4 to 1.5 mm.

5. Laundry detergent compact according to Claim 2, wherein the weight fraction of the compacted cellulose material in the finished compact is from 3 to 6 percent.

6. Laundry detergent compact according to Claim 1, wherein said disintegrant further comprises a fraction of finely divided noncompacted cellulose material.

7. Laundry detergent compact according to Claim 6, wherein the weight fraction of the noncompacted cellulose material in the finished compact is from 1 to 3 percent.

8. Laundry detergent compact according to Claim 1, wherein the cellulose material present in the compact has a coating comprising a swelling agent and/or thickener.

9. Laundry detergent compact according to Claim 1, wherein the cellulose material present in the compact has a coating comprising a surfactant.

10. Laundry detergent compact according to Claim 9, wherein the compact comprises the surfactant in a weight fraction of from 0.5 to 2.0 percent of the finished compact.

11. Laundry detergent compact according to Claim 1, wherein the compact comprises fibrillated cellulose material.

12. Laundry detergent compact according to Claim 1, wherein the compact has been pressed from a mixture of the pulverulent or granular ingredients with the finely divided cellulose material in dry or earth-moist form.

13. Laundry detergent compact according to Claim 1, wherein the cellulose material comprises TMP (thermo-mechanical pulp).

14. Laundry detergent compact according to Claim 1, wherein the cellulose material comprises CTMP (chemo-thermo-mechanical pulp).

15. Laundry detergent compact according to Claim 1, wherein the largest dimension of the compact is from 1 to 10 cm.

16. A compacted detergent tablet, comprising a laundry detergent component and granules of compacted, finely-divided cellulose material, said granules having a particle size of from 200 μm to 6000 μm .

17. A tablet according to claim 16, wherein the granules of the cellulose material have a particle size of from 300 μm to 1500 μm .

19. A tablet according to claim 16, wherein the cellulose material comprises thermo-mechanical wood pulp.

20. A tablet according to claim 16, wherein the cellulose material comprises chemo-thermo-mechanical wood pulp.

21. A tablet according to claim 16, wherein the cellulose material comprises 3 to 6 wt % by weight of the tablet.

22. A tablet according to claim 16, wherein the cellulose material has a coating comprising a surfactant.

23. A tablet according to claim 22, wherein the surfactant coating comprises 0.5 to 5 wt % by weight of the tablet.

24. A tablet according to claim 16, wherein the finely-divided cellulose material comprises cellulose particles having a particle size of 20 μm to 200 μm .

25. A tablet according to claim 16, wherein the finely-divided cellulose material comprises of cellulose particles having a particle size of from 40 μm to 60 μm .

26. A process for making a tablet as claimed in claim 16 which comprises pressing a mixture of the detergent component with the cellulose granules in a dry condition.